

ATTORNEY GENERAL — CRAWFORD V QUAIL

1005. Hon NICK GOIRAN to the parliamentary secretary representing the Attorney General:

I refer to the recent matter of Crawford v Quail, which was discontinued last month without any order as to costs being made.

- (1) When and how did the allegations made by President Quail against Magistrate Crawford, including those pertaining to her tampering with evidence, first come to the Attorney General's attention?
- (2) Were any other allegations against Magistrate Crawford that were not raised in the above matter brought to the Attorney General's attention?
- (3) Did the Attorney General initiate an investigation into any of the allegations made against Magistrate Crawford?
- (4) If yes to (3), what was the result?
- (5) If no to (3), given the seriousness of these allegations, why?

Hon MATTHEW SWINBOURN replied:

I thank the member for some notice of the question. I provide the following answer on behalf of the Attorney General.

- (1)–(5) It is not appropriate for the Attorney to address matters involving individual judicial officers.